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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 17 Nov 93 16:26:28 GMT
From: ogicse!uwm.edu!wupost!csus.edu!netcom.com!greg@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: CENSORSHIP WARNING
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <CGLzHn.H1B@news.Hawaii.Edu> jherman@uhunix3.uhcc.Hawaii.Edu (Jeff
Herman) writes:

>

>This notice is to warn all net posters that within our elements is a
>small group that is attempting to practice censorship; if they do not
>agree with your viewpoint,

Perhaps it is the way in which you present your view-point which is offensive. I recall, Jeff, questioning in e-mail how the way in which you present your anti-gay rhetoric using the facilities of the University might come into conflict with an anti-discrimination and/or harassment policy which might be in force there. You, as I recall, pooh-poohed the notion at the time, muttering something about the First Amendment. Of course you forget the axiom that 'freedom of the press belongs to him who owns one.'

>One person has done this to me [re: BARF = Bestiality Amateur Radio
>Fraternity, which was my tongue-in-check response to the Lambda
>gay radio club {BTW, my postmaster thought the BARF article was funny}];

Though it wasn't me who went to your postmaster, you can't say I didn't warn you. Though your postmaster thought it was funny, I wonder, would the Dean? The president of the University? The mob of Queer Nation demonstrators on the steps of the Administration Building?

Your defense, and it is a flimsy one, has been that it was merely an allegory. If a racist had responded to an integrationist with a story about monkeys (sorry AT&T), and defended it as a mere allegory, s/he would have been severely censured (for the illiterate 'censored' <> 'censored').

>So, my friends, beware! There is no absolute freedom of speech on
>.misc and .policy. These folks will decide when you've crossed the line

No, your postmaster and the owners of your system will.

>[which they themselves have drawn] as to what's ``proper'' and what's not.
>[And they're doing this from their corporate accounts on company time;
>hmmm, I wonder if their employers realize this....]

If one wants wider freedoms than is afforded by utilizing the facilities of an employer whose name is, perforce, on each posting, then it behooves one to pay for the privilege.

Jeff, you clearly have some maturing to do. In your zeal to yell "he's oppressing me, he's oppressing me," you don't look at how your words and actions contribute to the oppression of other people. Instead, you squeal like a pig when someone deals you a dose of what you deal them, and gets in the way of your self-expression.

Instead of whining, perhaps you can take a good, hard, look at what you could have done to make someone angry enough to be willing to set aside the principles of free speech, and try and shut you down. Lest

you think that it is your self-styled stance for virtue and morality,
that is the wrong road, sir.

Greg

Date: Wed, 17 Nov 1993 19:17:58 GMT
From: news.cerf.net!pagesat!olivea!sgigate.sgi.com!odin!chuck.dallas.sgi.com!
adams@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: CW abbreviations
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Joseph KA3VJY,

Be careful of what you ask for. You might get what you ask for. :-)

The following is a part of the Phillips Code, a standard set of abbreviations used by Morse Operators, Telegraphers, Ham Radio Operators, etc. I have added some. Thus the Phillips-Adams Code, but not included in this list is every abbreviation known to man, no acronyms, common ham, abbreviations, etc.....

This will take some time to memorize, but you will hear some of them on the air. Also, as a side note, the faster you go, the fewer abbreviations you will here and spelling becomes very important. :-) Enjoy.

Flame suit on Scotty. CW Bashing mode on. Internet go.

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Phillips-Adams Code

AA	all after	FM	from	QSN	question
AB	about	FO	for	R	are
ABB	abbreviate	FRI	friday	R	roger
ABBD	abbreviated	FW	follow	RCD	received
ABBG	abbreviating	G	from the	RD	read
ABBN	abbreviation	GA	good afternoon	RPY	reply
ABD	aboard	GD	good	RR	railroad
ABS	absent	GG	going	RT	are the
ABV	above	GL	good luck	RU	are you
ADS	address	GM	good morning	RY	railway
AF	after	GN	gone	SDY	sunday
AGN	again	GN	good night	SIG	signature
AK	acknowledge	GV	give	SND	send
ALW	always	H	has	STD	standard
AMT	amount	HR	here	STN	station

AO	at once	HV	have	SUY	saturday
AR	answer	HB	have been	SVC	service
AX	ask	IW	it was	T	the
B	be	J	by which	TBL	trouble
BC	because	JR	junior	TDY	today
BCNU	be seeing you	K	out of the	TG	thing
BD	board	KMN	communication	THD	thursday
BF	before	KP	keep	TM	them
BK	break	KPPG	cooperating	TN	then
BTN	between	LG	long	TR	there
BUN	bulletin	LIC	license	TS	this
C	see	LTR	letter	TSE	these
C	yes	LVG	leaving	TT	that
CD	could	M	more	TU	thank you
CF	chief	MD	made	TUY	tuesday
CFM	confirm	MDA	monday	TX	this is
CHG	charge	MFG	manufacturing	TY	they
CLD	called	MK	make	U	you
CLDY	cloudy	MNG	morning	UK	understand
CLR	clear	MO	month	UR	your
CM	come	MVG	moving	V	of which
CTD	connected	N	not	VY	very
CPI	copy	NI	night	W	with
CY	copy	NIL	nothing	WB	will be
D	in the	NUMD	numbered	WDA	wednesday
DD	did	NW	now	WI	will
DE	from	O	of	WL	well
DEG	degree	OPR	operator	WN	when
DG	doing	OTH	other	WO	who
DLD	delivered	P	per	WRD	word
DOLS	dollars	PBY	probably	WT	what
EA	each	PC	percent	WTV	whatever
ENH	enough	PD	paid	X	in which
EQM	equipment	PFD	preferred	XJ	explain
ES	and	PKJ	package	Y	year
EU	Europe	PLS	please	YA	yesterday
F	of the	Q	on the	Z	from which

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 adams@sgi.com
 QRP ARCI Awards Chairman

Date: 17 Nov 93 17:15:50 GMT
 From: ogicse!emory!nntp.msstate.edu!Ra.MsState.Edu!c114@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: CW QSO's, New hams who need practice read this!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Jeff Jones (jeffj@seeker.mystic.com) wrote:

: >After reading a bit I realized that hams who just passed their 5 wpm
: >code test are nervous about making their first CW contacts on the air
: >(I was!). If you just passed, working on upgrading or need your first
: >CW contact please send me some email and I'll be more than happy to work
: >you. It will be nice and easy with no pressure on you to be perfect. I will
: >work with you and resend as many times as you need until you get it. So if
: >you have been scared to get on the air using CW this is your chance! Let
: >me know what time and frequency and let's do it! 73!

Good Deal!! Glad to see some OM out there that are willing to send a little slower for the newbies! I have had my first four or five CW contacts in the past few weeks, and it can be very nerve racking. There was one instance where the guy I was working was sending somewhere around 15-20wpm. I told him to slow down 3 or 4 times before finally signing with him (needless to say, he never slowed down even a tiny bit). Not much fun to work someone that you don't know what they're saying. Kinda like talking to a foreigner who can understand you but can't speak your language.

Anyway just my \$0.02 worth.

Keep up the good work Jeff!

73 de Craig

Craig Lindsey - KC5AUG | My politics are simple: Always go right. If
Internet: cll4@ra.msstate.edu| you go left, you can never go right, and if
cll4@pcmail.cc.msstate.edu| you go right, you never go wrong. -Grizzard
Bitnet: cll4@msstate.bitnet

Date: Mon, 15 Nov 1993 19:43:10 GMT
From: mvb.saic.com!unogate!news.service.uci.edu!usc!sdd.hp.com!col.hp.com!
news.dtc.hp.com!hpscit.sc.hp.com!nsa.hp.com!rjw@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Elmers are dead, god help us HAMS!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I agree with some of the comments about repeaters. I have not enjoyed using repeaters that much - there do seem to be many cliques - the same callsigns are heard all the time and if you're not a member of a club it can be difficult to talk much. On the other hand I have had two really enjoyable QSOs on 2m simplex recently. Even in

the

(SF) Bay Area where there are probably more 2m rigs than cell phones, there doesn't

seem to be much simplex traffic. I have a Yaesu FT-530 and have programmed all of the

North CA simplex frequencies into it and then use it's scanning to find an active frequency. I then wait until the QSO is over and call one of the parties - I have done this a couple of times recently and had some very enjoyable QSOs. The other hams were surprised that I was on simplex - and in both cases they didn't like using repeaters that much. I think it would be fun sometime to take a J-pole and my HT to a high point around here and see just how far I can get simplex.

So my point is that I have found that using simplex cuts out a lot of the people that I might not want to talk with - it's a form of self-selection on their part.

Richard Webber

KD6ELB

Date: Tue, 16 Nov 1993 17:23:19 GMT

From: elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!usc!cs.utexas.edu!hermes.chpc.utexas.edu!

news.utdallas.edu!corpgate!nrtpa038!brtph560!b4pph107!jwittich@ames.arpa

Subject: Finally passed

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>5 years ago I got interested in ham radio since I got wind of a ham radio
>class being offered close by. It sounded cool and it was. So I studied the
>code and the material for the novice and tech written tests. I thought I
[...]
>cool eh ? :)

Yep, Sure is. Congratulations Lance. Sounds like it was quite a struggle for you and most of it not your fault. Oh well, you have finally done it.

I am sort of new too. Had that ticket for about a year, but in this area, the old timers take care of the new guys pretty well. Questions from new hams are welcomed. I hope you live in an area like that too.

I hope you have as much fun as I have and once again, congrats, and welcome to Ham Radio.

73.

AC4Z0 --Jeff--

Raleigh, NC

Date: 17 Nov 1993 18:43:45 GMT
From: news.cerf.net!pagesat!olivea!spool.mu.edu!wupost!cs.uiuc.edu!
news1.oakland.edu!vela.acs.oakland.edu!prvalko@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Gary-bashing
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Welcome to the hobby Tom. If you want to ask a question and get a no
b-s answer, drop me a line.

And for what it's worth, Gary was not too off base on the fact that you
seem to have slipped through the cracks of "the system" and apparently
got a ham license without having found someone to help you out.

I frankly think that is what he ment with his statement, and it was not
indicative of the original poster's comment/question.

73 paul wb8zjl

Date: 15 Nov 1993 14:36:29 -0800
From: usc!phakt.usc.edu!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: HAM Shop in LA
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi,

I need some help from netters. I have a friend coming from out of
town. He'd like to visit some good shops for amateur radio. I have no
idea where to go in Los Angeles Area.

So, any recommendation for good Equipment shop in LA county area ?

I think my friend is looking for some VHF, UHF equipment and may be
packet radio stuff too.

Please reply by e-mail since I don't usually read this group.

Thank you

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LAX: M.S. Program, Computer Engineering, University of Southern California.
CNX: Department of Computer Engineering, Chiang Mai University, Thailand.

Date: Mon, 15 Nov 1993 22:28:00 GMT
From: usc!howland.reston.ans.net!math.ohio-state.edu!cs.utexas.edu!swrinde!
news.dell.com!pmafire!boojum!mamie.lanl.gov!user@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: help on QSL routes-new US calls
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi...I would like to QSL two folks with (apparently) new calls. They are
not listed in the buffalo.cs callserver. Thanks for any help!

AA9GF

KB7UHG

Thanks,
Tom
KJ5LT

Date: Wed, 17 Nov 1993 00:05:46 GMT
From: munnari.oz.au!bruce.cs.monash.edu.au!trlluna!titan!pcies4.trl.OZ.AU!
drew@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: How did spark transmitters work (was Re: CW)
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <RFM.93Nov15163846@urth.eng.sun.com> rfm@urth.eng.sun.com (Richard
McAllister) writes:

>From: rfm@urth.eng.sun.com (Richard McAllister)
>Subject: How did spark transmitters work (was Re: CW)
>Date: 15 Nov 93 16:38:46
>In article <CGIu00.A9L@freenet.carleton.ca> aj467@Freenet.carleton.ca (Bill
>Macpherson) writes:
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>[Describing a early method of generating CW]
>> The whole concept was likely the father of the rotary spark gap,
>>the expense of engineering the large condensers, coils, resistors and
>>generators would have fallen outside the realm of an amateur (both in
>>terms of cost and scale) as the spark generator was as high as a man, and
>>the frequency was determined by the shaft RPM.
>
>At the Lawrence Hall of Science in Berkeley they have the electromagnet Dr.
>Lawrence used to construct the first cyclotron sitting out front; it's about
>9 feet tall, and was part of a commercial spark transmitter made surplus by
>the advent of tube transmitters. (BTW, Lawrence was a ham, and they have
>his spark rig on display inside.)
>

>My question is, why did spark transmitters need big electromagnets?
>Were they basically big generators, generating EMF by rotating a coil
>through the magnetic field?
>
>(Another fun thing on exhibit at the LHoS was Lawrence's letter to Henri
>Bequerel mentioning that he'd heard of some big French spark transmitting
>station closing down, and suggesting that HB ask them for their surplus
>magnets so he could build his own cyclotron...)
>
>[Crossposted to .policy, where it started, and .misc, where it fits,
>with followups directed to .misc.]
>
>Rich
>--
>Rich McAllister (rfm@eng.sun.com)

The early Marconi type spark transmitters used, I believe, an ordinary induction coil (similar in principle to that used today for the ignition system in an auto). The low voltage primary coil was self-interrupted (like a buzzer) and keyed with a morse key. The high voltage secondary winding had a spark-gap, one side of the gap connected to ground, the other connected to an antenna. A raspy broad-band signal was thus generated. The only tuning was that provided by the antenna circuit, although later refinements by Marconi introduced some LC tuning. Another refinement was to fit, into the spark-gap, a motor-driven rotating toothed wheel, which modulated the broad-band noise and introduced a more "musical" note, thus allowing skilled operators some means of discriminating between the many signals on the air.

If you have access to early issues of QST (say pre 1930), you will find many descriptions of amateur spark stations- fascinating reading.

73, Drew, VK3XU.
many wwen .

Date: 16 Nov 1993 12:59:45 -0800
From: news.sprintlink.net!news.world.net!teleport.com!teleport.com!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net
Subject: License Datapoints
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Michael Sattler (msattler@netcom.com) wrote:
: David Stark (David.Stark@p2.f333.n2613.z1.fidonet.org) wrote:
: : > From: romanenkod@agcs.com (Dan Romanenko)

: : > I took (and passed) my no-code Tech. on Oct. 16th. Still waiting...

: : According to the November issue of QST, the processing lag for new amateur
: : licenses is about 70 days now.

: I took (and passed) my no-code tech exam today; the VEs told us that
: the waiting period had drastically dropped to 5 weeks, believe it
: or not.

Must be W5YI VEC?

Can't be the Association for Retarding Radio Licensing. 8-)

73's

Gene

KB7WIP

"Now is the time when men work quietly in the
fields and women weep softly in the kitchen;
The Democrats are elected and no man's property is safe."

-originally by-
-Daniel Webster-

-updated by me -

Don't like it? Please direct flames to: genew@ucant.gethere.frmhere

Date: 17 Nov 1993 18:56:10 GMT
From: [news.cerf.net!pagesat!olivea!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!wupost!
cs.uiuc.edu!news1.oakland.edu!vela.acs.oakland.edu!prvalko@network.ucsd.edu](mailto:news.cerf.net!pagesat!olivea!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!wupost!cs.uiuc.edu!news1.oakland.edu!vela.acs.oakland.edu!prvalko@network.ucsd.edu)
Subject: TEN TEC OMNI V OWNERS!!!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Pat,

I have a 12 year old Corsair and I got rid of a new TS-440sat a couple
years ago because there was simply no comparison in the receiver
quality.

Those guys probably never even seen a Ten Tec, and I bet you a steak
dinner, when their Kenwood, Icom, or Yasue breaks, it gets shipped out
for repair.

Look, everyone makes a pretty good radio for any given "x" amount of

dollars. The Omni V has a superlative receiver but few of the bells and whistles (including general coverage) that virtually every other manufacturer builds in as standard equipment.

73 paul wb8zjl

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